

THE WEATHER

Generally cloudy tonight and Saturday becoming unsettled with rising temperature; gentle southerly winds.

TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

8	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5
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WOMAN SAYS MARIE LOOKS LIKE MISSING DAUGHTER-IN-LAW

Similarity of Scars Counteracted in Discrepancy in Girls' Ages

"BOOTS" TO WIN IMMUNITY FOR TURNING ON PALS

A woman, whose name the detectives will not divulge, believes that Marie Phillips Rogers may be her daughter-in-law.

The girl who is under arrest, with Peter D. Treadway and Joseph "Arlene" Moss, denies that she has been the woman told that a mysterious visitor had called on Captain of Detectives Souder yesterday afternoon and asked to see the girl held in the custody of Henry T. Peirce two weeks ago at 2007 Market street.

The visitor was a woman, elderly and of refined appearance. She told Captain Souder she had seen Marie's pictures in the newspapers, and had been impressed with the girl's close resemblance to her daughter-in-law, who was missing.

Captain Souder permitted her to see Marie. He looked at the older woman, then looked down and said: "I never saw you before."

Similarity in Scars

The visitor told ex-Captain Souder that her daughter-in-law had a bullet wound in her arm. Marie is said to show a scar such as might have been made by a bullet.

The elderly woman told Captain Souder she was one of age. The daughter-in-law would be twenty-nine years of age, Marie says she is ten years younger.

The woman, who has not seen her daughter-in-law for some years, says her son is seeking a divorce.

The girl will be examined by witnesses at the trial of Treadway, Moss and, if he is captured, "Al" Smith, alias Elliott, the three men charged with the murder.

The girl was arrested with the district attorney's staff yesterday afternoon at the very moment Captain Souder was giving out the text of the confession written and signed by Treadway.

May Get Immunity

It is expected Marie will be given immunity by the state. Captain Souder and Detective William Belshaw, head of the murder squad and solver of the Peirce mystery, said that the girl had not bargained for her freedom, but had agreed to tell the truth without any promise of protection.

It is likely, however, that when the trial comes up she will be granted a verbatim, so that her case may be heard separately.

Confession in very definite language from Marie on any blame in the case, either before the attempted robbery, which Treadway says resulted in Peirce's unintended death, or at the time.

The district attorney's office realizes that in the face of Treadway's confession as to the girl, which only confirms the prior confession of the Peirce mystery, it would be next to impossible to convict the girl of murder in any degree.

Details Kept Secret

Marie was taken to the district attorney's office yesterday afternoon and remained for a long interview. What she said at this time will not be divulged. It is known, however, that she turned over her confession, made after she had become reconciled with her husband, Roy Rogers, to the district attorney's staff, who would understand it thoroughly in all its details.

Treadway's written confession puts all the blame for the actual killing on Elliott, the man who is said by Treadway to have been the only motive, and that he had not expected this to turn out as bad as it did.

Toward the end of the confession he names Moss with Elliott and himself in connection with the robbery.

"Marie did not know that Moss, Elliott and I were in the first degree," she said when she was taken to the district attorney's office.

Facing Electric Chair

Treadway's disclaimer of participation in the actual killing of Peirce, and his declaration that he was absent when the victim died, will avail either of them under the law if it can be demonstrated that all three were in a plot to rob Peirce.

Under the state law of Pennsylvania, conspiracy to rob is a felony, and it is a principle of law widely known that a murder incidental to a robbery is murder in the first degree.

Though the detectives believe Moss was merely a "door boob," it is probable he will be tried for murder in the first degree.

The hearing in the case again has been postponed. The prisoners were to have been taken into Central Police Court yesterday afternoon, or this morning. The plans have been changed again, however, and probably it will be several days before the three get their first hearing.

Hope to Get Elliott

The detectives are waiting in the hope that Elliott may be captured, and the four can be brought to the starting line together. Detective Belshaw is most eager to get Elliott's confession, so that the case may be tried with that of Treadway, Moss and the state's evidence, and they have had the advantage, perhaps, of having read the confessions of the other three.

So far as the detectives in charge of the case have made public, there is no nearer capture now than when Moss was brought in. The search for the fugitive is more active in West Virginia and Ohio, but in the latter state he is looking for him, as it is readily had he had ample time to put a well and justice.

Will Confirm Class

Bishop Rhinelander will administer the rite of confirmation to a large class at St. George's Church, East Indiana avenue and Almond street, at 10 o'clock.

YOUTH OF 17 SHOT RESISTING BANDIT, BUT SAVES \$2000

Collector Wounded Three Times in Struggle Under Bridge. Suspect Is Arrested



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HOLD-UPS AND ROBBERIES YIELD \$10,000 IN LOOT

Bernard Herman, seventeen years of age, who was shot by a bandit while resisting the collector's money carrier, was arrested yesterday by the American Bureau of Investigation.

He was shot three times by a highwayman at 9 o'clock this morning, but fought off his assailant and saved \$2000 of the company's money carrier.

Paul Page, an employee of the McGrath Taxicab Service, 1718 Fawn street, who lives on Thompson street near Hutchinson, was arrested on suspicion in connection with the attack.

Ownership of the closed car, in which the assailant escaped, was traced to the company through the license number which Herman collected, in spite of serious gunshot wounds of the leg and arm.

The holdup took place under the Reading Railroad bridge on Norris street, east of Tenth.

Herman had made several collections and was walking west on Norris street toward another branch store of the American Bureau of Investigation, containing the man, was proceeding slowly in the same direction.

Ordered to Raise Hands

As Herman started under the bridge the limousine was driven close to the curb, and the driver jumped out and approached the collector, ordering him to put up his hands.

Herman at first complied, but as the highwayman started to search him the victim suddenly seized the revolver which his assailant had pointed toward him.

The men struggled, and the robber fired three shots from his revolver. Two of the shots struck Herman in the left arm. Then the robber produced a blackjack and struck Herman twice on the head.

Several other workmen from a nearby coal yard. Two of the workmen were armed. Herman's assailant jumped into the automobile without fire and fled.

The armed workmen opened fire on the retreating robber, who returned the fire and escaped.

Herman, who ran after the machine, collapsed when he fell from loss of blood. He was taken to the Children's Homeopathic Hospital.

Find Abandoned Car

He gave the police a good description of his assailant and also gave them the license number of the robber's machine.

When detectives traced it to the McGrath garage, they learned that it had been driven until 3:45 o'clock this morning by John Dubiel, of 1416 Dela street. He told the detectives he had returned the machine to the garage at that time, and had later seen Page and another employee of the garage washing the car in front of the garage.

Page and Porter, who disappeared, were recovered at 11 o'clock, abandoned near Page's home. Page will be taken to the hospital to be confronted by Herman.

Cloth Mill Robbed

Bandits and burglars got more than \$10,000 in money, cloth and jewelry from a cloth mill in the city during the night.

The biggest haul was made by four men who stole \$7000 in cloth from the Prudential Worsted Mills, Orthodox and Large streets, after binding and gagging the watchman.

Six men were held under \$1500 bail each, for a further hearing on December 10, this morning, by Magistrate Gault, who held the detectives at the station charged with suspicion of larceny, forcible entry and assault with intent to kill in connection with this robbery.

The men arrested were Harry Ross, twenty-five years old; later arrested at his home, where he was found in bed. The police are investigating the past records of the six men and will endeavor to trace their movements during the last evening.

The tailor shop of Charles Kopet, 1029 Diamond street, was robbed of several hundred dollars' worth of clothing.

The robber apparently entered the place through an alleyway which gave access to a rear yard. A window in a rear shed was broken. Kopet discovered his loss at 7 o'clock this morning.

SMOKE OVERCOMES FIREMAN

A fireman was overcome by smoke during a fire which is believed to have been caused by a defective flue shortly after 9 o'clock last evening in the kitchen of the D. F. McAllister Catering Co., at 1337-39 Opal street. This building faces on 1835 Reid street and the fire was discovered by a pedestrian, who turned the alarm to the Tenth and Federal streets engine company.

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Christmas Mince Pie With "Kick" Under Ban

Washington, Dec. 3.—(By A. P.)—The flavoring of home-made Christmas plum pudding, mince meat and brandied cherries and peaches with alcoholic spirits is in violation of the prohibition enforcement law and such foods are liable to seizure, it was stated today at the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

Officials explained that under their interpretation of the enforcement act culinary products in which alcohol is an ingredient can be made only by manufacturers of such products who obtain a permit from the government and that such products must contain less than one-half of 1 per cent of alcohol. They also state that the regulations require that such products shall not be used or sold by retailers and that this effectively bars the housewife from making Christmas foods with liquor in them. The regulations specifically state that permits shall not be issued to hotels and restaurants.

Retailers do not have to have permits to sell culinary products containing less than one-half of 1 per cent of alcohol obtained from authorized manufacturers, officials said.

Anthracite Trust Made Householder the "Goat"

Boost in Coal Prices Didn't Touch Big Business, Where Bituminous Interests Could Put Up a Fight

New York, Dec. 3.—Whether or not the anthracite trust is a law unto itself is a question which the United States Government will have to decide.

And the government inquiry into the operations of the trust or combine will get under way here tomorrow.

A series of articles from the anthracite region some time ago, I directed attention to the action of the operators in advancing the price of coal \$1 a ton to the consumers beginning April 1 last.

The action was arbitrary. Nobody was consulted outside the select circle of operating companies. Not the consumer, at least.

It was given out at the time that the increase was to protect the companies in case of an anthracite commission granted an advance in miners' wages.

At the time these articles were written, it was estimated that the increase, based on coal mined at \$1 per ton, represented millions of dollars.

This sum during all the intervening months was drawing the interest for the operators, not alone the trust, so called, but independent operators who, when it suits their interests, follow in the footsteps of the companies.

Householder Bears Burden

The anthracite trust collected \$1 per ton from the consumers to pay a seven-cent advance in wages awarded them by the President's anthracite commission.

This increase in the price of coal, it is now discovered, was one of the most brazen and indefensible actions ever undertaken by any combine in this country, because the increase was levied solely upon domestic sites—the coal mined or washed by anthracite operators.

Coal in what is known as steam sizes, which is sold to great manufacturing concerns, industrial corporations and the owners of great office buildings, and whose light and heat are supplied from batteries of boilers equipped to use the finest graded shiftings of mine and wash.

Opens New Investigation

The opportunity the situation would demand, it would seem, that this grade, considering cost of production and the character of the consumers, would be the product that should first be addressed.

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State Rights Plea by Iowa Governor

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Philadelphia

Appeal Before Leaving for

Will Be Guests of City

Warn Future Offenders

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Hint Canned Goods Boost

Packers Selling at Great Loss Now. Officials at Convention Here Say

Officials of the Interstate Packers' Association, in session at the Adelphi Hotel today, declared canners are taking a loss now, and that new price increases are inevitable.

Walter J. Sears, president of the association, canners are receiving for tomatoes packed in quart cans "a price which is forty cents less per dozen cans than the actual cost of production—and with the tin containers thrown in free of cost."

Packers cannot continue business unless there is a revision of prices, he asserted.

Three hundred men from Delaware, New Jersey and Maryland, all directly interested in food production and distribution, through affiliation, with the association, are at the conference.

Sneakers at the morning session were E. J. Cattell, city statistician, who welcomed the delegates; Walter J. Sears, of Chillicothe, O., president of the National Canners' Association, and Ralph Dallin, of Belaire, Md., C. M. Dashiell, of Princess Anne, Md., is the secretary.

Are White Lies Justified to Win a Woman's Love?

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When you think of writing think of WRITING.

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Secretary to Leave Hampton Roads as Harding Arrives

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Before boarding the presidential yacht Colby will see his staff. Mr. Colby will be entertained at the Pan-American Union by diplomats representing the South American countries.

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Assertions were made that yesterday's decision of the committee on the admission of new states, which held, in effect, that the article does not guarantee the territorial integrity of any member of the league, represented the view of a majority of the assembly and the present intention. This interpretation and the postponement of the consideration of certain changes in the covenant were the principal topics of conversation here today.

These changes, which were proposed by Scandinavian countries, it was said in a nowise present consideration at this session of any amendments. N. W. Howell, a Canadian delegate, brought the resolution before the assembly by questioning A. J. Balfour, of Great Britain.

The committee to which was referred the question as to how to choose the four elective members of the council of the league had also reported. The question is whether those members shall be elected for four years or two, and it is still being debated whether their terms of office should be from the date of entry of the council into operation, or from the present meeting of the assembly. If the latter idea prevails the four representatives named earlier in the Swiss delegation, who asked that if the present status of Austria were changed Vorarlberg be permitted to join Switzerland. The text of the interpretation follows:

"We cannot recommend the adoption of the proposal put forward by Mr. Howell, which would have the effect of the entry of Austria into the league in no way prejudice or affect the question so raised. We cannot help adding that the suggestion that admission to the league should have the effect of appearing to arise from a misconception of Article X. It cannot be said that the suggestion that Austria should be permitted to join the league is in any way prejudicial to the territorial integrity of any member of the league. All it does is to correct an error of the political independence of any member of the league and call upon the council to consider what can be done to resist such a suggestion.

The committee on the admission of new states today recommended unanimously the admission of Costa Rica into the league as a sovereign state.

The United States and twelve other countries have recognized the de jure government of Costa Rica, it was pointed out.

The general committee of the league assembly met this morning for the purpose of formulating plans to speed up the work of the assembly with a view to its completion by December 10 or 11. Sir Eric Drummond, secretary of the league, informed the committee he believed it would be almost impossible to complete the unfinished business of the assembly by December 11 and will urge all the commissions to get their reports in shape for submission as quickly as possible.

State Rights Plea by Iowa Governor

Conference of Executives Hears Names of Men With Bad Records, Mostly Highwaymen, Stricken From Lists

Philadelphia

Appeal Before Leaving for

Will Be Guests of City

Warn Future Offenders

Names of approximately thirty men who passed the examination for eligibility for appointment as patrolmen in the Police Bureau were taken out by the Civil Service Commission today, when it was discovered the men had police records of the men whose names were crossed from the eligible list were highwaymen who apparently sought to uphold the laws for the violation of which they had served time, according to Governor W. L. Harding, of Iowa, who brought the matter, which he described as "serious," before the governors.

He referred to the recent decision whereby the commission assumed the right of holding the names of the Illinois State Commission in fixing the rates agreed to be charged within the state of Illinois on both interstate and intrastate traffic.

Says States Must Fight

Governor Harding declared it was one of the things the state must fight if they wish to preserve their own rights and bring about decentralization of governmental functions and activities.

"If the Supreme Court sustains this ruling," he warned, "all state laws, in so far as they apply to the railroads, will be null and void."

"It is a most serious situation, and I want to commend the three governors who raised their voices yesterday in favor of this afternoon's decision, showing control over the rights which inherently belong to the states.

"If this was a body of township commissioners meeting here instead of a body of governors, I believe the protest would be lodged against a similar encroachment of authority by the legislature. It is not only the growing tendency of Congress to take away from the states the rights and powers that they should exercise that makes the situation alarming, but there is a tendency on the part of the legislatures to take away from local communities the right to manage their own affairs."

"It is a step toward the destruction of the